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Subject: Re: FW: CZARA draft talking points and background info. for your review

Are you sharing? I don't know the contacts there.

On Thu, Jan 29, 2015 at 2:49 PM, Holsman, Marianne <Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov> wrote:

Basic talking points we can share w/the state.

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From: Holsman, Marianne
Sent: Wednesday, January 28, 2015 4:16 PM
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Key Messages:

- NOAA and EPA jointly disapproved the state of Oregon's Coastal Nonpoint Program, part of a national program that requires coastal states to develop a program for how to reduce nonpoint source pollution to coastal waters (pollution that comes from many sources and is caused by rainfall or snowmelt moving over the ground).
- Under a 2010 lawsuit settlement agreement with the non-profit organization Northwest Environmental Advocates (NWEA), NOAA and EPA agreed to make a final decision about the approvability of Oregon's Coastal Nonpoint Program by May 15, 2014, a deadline later extended to January 30, 2015.

- NOAA and EPA are hopeful that Oregon will achieve full program approval in the near future. The federal agencies are committed to continuing to work closely with the state to help it achieve this goal.
- NOAA and EPA recognize the complexities and challenges Oregon faces in developing a fully approvable coastal nonpoint program.
- Oregon has shown that it can remedy gaps in its program and put in place measures that are protective of water quality. For example, since NOAA and EPA's December 2013 proposed finding that the State had not addressed program requirements related to septic systems and new development, the State has addressed these gaps. NOAA and EPA are very hopeful that the State will do the same to address the gaps the agencies have identified related to forestry.
- While Oregon has made significant progress on meeting many of its coastal nonpoint program requirements, NOAA and EPA found that the state has not put in place forestry practices that are protective of water quality and designated uses, specifically with respect to riparian protection for small and medium fish bearing streams and small non-fish bearing streams; practices that reduce sediment runoff from legacy roads; practices that reduce sediment runoff from landslides; and practices that assure that herbicides are properly applied.
- The efforts the state makes to meet its CZARA requirements are also important for the recovery of coho salmon.

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